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E.O. 11652:
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SUBJECT: SOUTH PACIFIC REGIONAL FISHERIES ORGANIZATIONS

1. SUVA NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TOWARD A SOUTH PACIFIC REGIONAL FISHERIES ORGANIZATION CONCLUDED MORNING OF 10 JUNE WITH HIGHLY SATISFACTORY RESULTS. A DRAFT TEXT ON ALL ISSUES HAS BEEN PRODUCED WHICH IS BEING REFERRED AD REFERENDUM TO GOVERNMENTS.

2. AGREED TEXT IS SIMILAR TO THAT NEGOTIATED DURING NOVEMBER ROUND. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE, HOWEVER, WHICH MEET KEY U.S. OBJECTIVES. A PROVISION ON MARINE MAMMALS HAS BEEN INCLUDED. DECISIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION WILL BE TAKEN BY CONSENSUS. THE AREA OF APPLICABILITY OF THE AGREEMENT IS DESCRIBED GENERALLY AS THE CENTRAL, WESTERN, AND SOUTH PACIFIC
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OCEANS.2BY TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE PARTIES MAY INVITE OTHER STATES TO BECOME SIGNATORIES TO THE CONVENTION. IN ADDITION PROVISIONS WAS MADE FOR A HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES COMMITTEE OPEN IMMEDIATELY TO PARTICIPATION BY NON-SIGNATORY NATIONS. ALL OF THESE ISSUES, WHICH HAD REMAINED OPEN AFTER NOVEMBER SESSION, HAVE BEEN RESOLVED FAVORABLY. TWO TREATY APPROACH AND TWO ORGANIZATION APPROACH HAVE BEEN ABANDONED.

3. MAJOR BREAKTHROUGHS DURING NEGOTIATIONS OCCURRED WHEN U.S. AND PNG WERE ABLE TO COME TOGETHER ON A JURIDICAL FORMULA. THIS EVEN HAS BEEN REPORTED IN EARLIER SEPTTEL. THEREAFTER, MAJOR REMAINING ISSUE FOCUSED ON FRENCH PROPOSAL TO GIVE DEPENDENT TERRITORIES VOTING RIGHTS. WITHOUT OPENING OPPOSING FRENCH, U.S. WORKED BEHIND SCENES FOR UNANIMOUS VOTING PROCEDURE AS WAY TO RESOLVE ISSUE. AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION, THIS SOLUTION WAS ACCEPTED AND GENERAL VOTING FORMULA WAS CHANGED FROM TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY TO CONSENSUS SYSTEM. THIS WILL ALLOW DESIGNATED TERRITORIES TO PARTICIPATE IN WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION WITHOUT CREATING BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PROBLEMS REGARDING THE LEGAL COMPETENCE OF TERRITORIES TO TAKE PARTICULAR ACTIONS.

4. AT CLOSING SESSION DELEGATES AGREED TO RECOMMEND DRAFT TEXT TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS FOR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION. FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION BY GOVERNMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE, A PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE WILL BE CALLED TO ADOPT AND SIGN THE CONVENTION. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT SUCH A PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE WOULD ONLY BE CALLED FOR SOME TIME AFTER THE FORUM MEETING IN NIUE IN SEPTEMBER.

5. COMPLETE REPORT WILL FOLLOW.
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